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Applicant: Bachovchin
Serial No.: 09/289,321
Filed: April 9, 1999
For: MULTIVALENT COMPOUNDS FOR CROSSLINKING RECEPTORS AND USES THEREOF

Examiner: Lukton, D.
Art Unit: 1653

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
WASHINGTON, DC 20231

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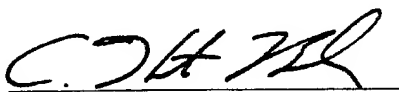
RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION/ELECTION REQUIREMENT

Responsive to the Restriction and Election Requirement mailed September 1, 2000 (Paper Number 8), Applicant respectfully elects Group I (claims 1 and 35), drawn to compounds which bear two or more boronic acid groups. Additionally, Applicant elects the following species: for D1 and D2, NH_2 ; for A1, CH; for A2, CO; for A3, N (forming cyclic five-membered ring with A4); for A4, CH (forming cyclic five-membered ring with A3); for Y1 and Y2, OH; and for L, $-\text{[CH}_2\text{]}_4\text{-NH-CO-[CH}_2\text{]}_4\text{-CO-NH-[CH}_2\text{]}_4\text{-}$. The elected species is shown in Figure 1E of the Application.

Applicant also wishes to point out that the Preliminary Amendment submitted on November 23, 1999, by David E. Johnson and Ivor R. Elrifi, does not seem to have been entered into the Application. Applicant respectfully requests that the Preliminary Amendment be entered into the case and has provided a copy of the Preliminary Amendment with this Response.

Applicant thanks the Examiner for careful consideration of this case. Please charge any fees that may be associated with this matter, or credit any overpayments, to our Deposit Account No. 03-1721.

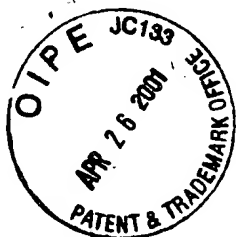
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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Enclosed are the following documents:

1. Response to Restriction/Election Requirement
2. Preliminary Amendment
3. Return Postcard

If any additional fees are required to be paid or if any overpayment has been made, please charge same to Deposit Account No. 03-1721.

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